

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s):

Nomura, Toshihiro

Assignee:

Schlumberger Technologies, Inc.

Title:

A Comparator Circuit For Differential Swing Comparison And

Common-Mode Voltage Comparison

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REQUEST TO WITHDRAW FROM REPRESENTATION UNDER 37 CFR §10.40(b)(4)

Dear Sir:

Attorneys and agents of Skjerven Morrill LLP at 25 Metro Drive, Suite 700, San Jose, CA 95110 are of record in the above-cited application, and hereby request to withdraw from representation in this application under 37 C.F.R. §10.40(b)(4). This is a mandatory withdrawal because the practitioner in this application is discharged by our client. At the client's request, papers associated with this application are being transferred to another law firm. A new correspondence address is given below.

By this paper, all attorneys and agents of record in this application, including all attorneys and agents associated with Customer Numbers 24251 and 27869 as listed on the attached sheet, and all attorneys and agents of Skjerven Morrill LLP who have appeared in this application or were listed on any power of attorney submitted in the application, request to withdraw. The attorney of record signing below is signing on behalf of each and every such attorney and agent.

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25 METRO DRIVE SUITE 700 SAN JOSE, CA 95110 (408) 453-9200 FAX (408) 453-7979 Please address all future correspondence regarding this application to:

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A copy of this request is being mailed to James Hao at the above address. A copy is also being mailed to our client, the at the following address:

NPTEST, Inc. 150 Baytech Drive San Jose, CA 9134

There is no pending Official Action in this application. If Office personnel have any questions regarding this request for withdrawal they are invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at (408) 453-9200. This request is being submitted in triplicate.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on ________, 2002.

Attorney for Applicant(s)

Date of Signature

Respectfully submitted,

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2. Request To Withdraw From Representation Under 37 CFR 10.40(b)(4) (2 pp.) in triplicate

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